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From: Han, Linda (DPH)
Sent: Wednesday, August 29, 2012 9:37 PM
To: Auerbach, John (DPH)
Subject: FW: Secretary's briefing
Attachments: SWGDRUG.pdf

We follow the recommendations of the Scientific Working Group for the Analysis of Seized Drugs (SWGDRUG), see attached. Linda

From: Auerbach, John (DPH)
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Do we know this? Did our protocols in the lab conform with established or industry standards for drug labs?

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Meaning, do they conform/not conform with any industry standards?

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To: Bigby, JudyAnn (EHS); Monahan, Stacey (EHS)
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Final clarification from Linda.

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To: Levin, Donna (DPH); Auerbach, John (DPH); ValdesLupi, Monica (DPH); Chilian, Steve (DPH)
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I believe that Steve interviewed Elisabeth OBrien, but that was in her current capacity as evidence officer supervisor, not in her past role as Annie's supervisor.

RE laboratories that fall under Julie:

The Drug Laboratory was one of several laboratories that operated within the Analytical Chemistry Division. Others include the Childhood Lead Screening, the Chemical Threat Response and the ~~Routine Analytic Chemical~~ Environmental Chemistry laboratories.

Chuck Salemi has been at the lab since 1974.

I just saw the most recent email from John so this information may no longer be relevant for tomorrow?

Please let me know if there is anything further that I should be working on for tomorrow morning.

Thanks,

Linda

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Report is coming

2. Steve only interviewed current supervisor- Chuck, the supervisor of the lab chemists and Julie Nassif his supervisor. Legal does not know past supervisors

3.correct

4. Not for legal?

Sent by blackberry. Please excuse typos and brevity.

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Below are 4 questions that the Secretary asked of us. She needs these tonight. Please feel free to send in any information you may have on these or make corrections. Linda is working on question #1. She will verify the information with Julie Nassif once it is in a solid draft. If we can attach the investigation we conducted that would be helpful. Time is of the essence here. So please respond as soon as you are able.

1. Protocols at the lab – was she a single operator or overall problems (Linda working on this)
2. AD's job history and her supervisors and where are they now - AD worked for the Department for approximately 8 years. The person who oversaw the overall operations of the Drug Laboratory was Chuck Salemmi, who was transferred to EOPS along with the other employees. He has worked at the Laboratory for many years, perhaps as many as 20. Other employees may have supervised AD at times (do we have specifics?)
3. Amherst Laboratory: The Drug Laboratory operations in Amherst had no contact with the specimens tests by AD; drug specimens would have been dropped off at either the JP or the Amherst site
4. Personnel recommendations: Since all of the employees of the Drug Laboratory were transferred to EOPS, we can't speak to whether the investigation has evidence that personnel action is called for regarding any of them. We don't believe that anyone at the Hinton State Laboratory

should be disciplined. The Drug Laboratory was one of several laboratories that operated within the Analytical Chemistry Division. Others include the Childhood Lead Screening, the Chemical Threat Response and the Routine Analytic Chemical laboratories. The supervisor of Drug Laboratory reported to the Director of that Division, Julianne Nassif for several years. However, Ms. Nassif had no direct oversight of the day-to-day operations of the Drug Laboratory.